

REMARKS

Claims 1-14 and 17-191 are pending. Claims 15-16 were previously canceled. Reexamination and reconsideration of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

Double Patenting

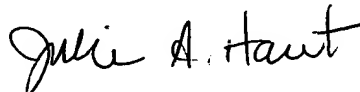
The Examiner rejected Claims 1-14 and 17-191 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over Claims 1-33 of U.S. Patent No. 6,915,005.

In order to expedite prosecution of the present application, without admitting that claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,915,005 encompass the same subject matter as the present application and without admitting that the subject matter of Claims 1-14 and 17-191 of the present application is obvious over claims of U.S. Patent No. 6,915,005, a Terminal Disclaimer in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(c) has been filed with the present Response to overcome this rejection.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, allowance of the application is respectfully requested. The undersigned is available for telephone consultation during normal business hours.

Respectfully submitted,



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